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# RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 6, 2006

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated November 6, 2006, having a shortened statutory period expiring February 6, 2007. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.

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